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In re application of : Confirmation No. 2302  
Qingquan SU et al. : Docket No. 2002\_0048A  
Serial No. 10/031,397 : Group Art Unit 1764  
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Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a one month extension of time to respond to the communication of  
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( ) to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.  
  
( ) Small entity status of this application is established by a Small Entity Status Assertion which  
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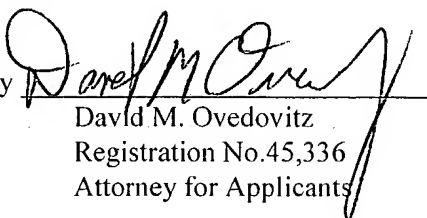
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